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May 19, 2020

By ECF

The Honorable Sidney H. Stein United States District Judge 500 Pearl Street Southern District of New York New York, New York 10007 MEMO ENDORSED

Re: <u>United States v. Ruless Pierre</u>, 19 Cr. 783 (SHS)

Dear Judge Stein:

The Government writes, with the consent of defense counsel Brooke Cucinella, regarding the proposed schedule. In light of the current pandemic and Chief Judge McMahon's April 20, 2020 standing order suspending jury trials until further order of the court, the Government respectfully requests that the trial date be adjourned and that pre-trial filing deadlines be modified. The parties propose that the Court schedule a trial date in September, with the following schedule for pre-trial filings:¹

- Motions *in limine*, requests to charge and proposed voir dire shall be due three weeks before trial.
- Responses to any motions *in limine* shall be due two weeks before trial.

The Government has also agreed to produce witness statements pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3500 30 days before trial, in light of counsel's agreement to enter into stipulations regarding the authenticity of standard business records (such as bank and phone records) and other records

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¹ This schedule is consistent with the original schedule set by the Court in February, which set the deadline for motions *in limine*, requests to charge, and proposed voir dire for three weeks before trial.

that would otherwise require calling a witness merely to establish authenticity.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application granted. The trial is adjourned to September 14, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. Proposed jury charges, proposed voir dire, and any motions in *limine* are due by August 3, 2020, the response to any motion is due by August 17, 2020, and the reply is due by August 24, 2020. On consent of all parties, the time is excluded from calculation under the Speedy Trial Act from today until September 14, 2020. The Court finds that the ends of justice served by this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendants in a speedy trial pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

Dated: May 19, 2020

SIDNEY H. STEIN

SO ORDERED

U.S.D.J.